



OFFICIATING ADVISORY GROUP TERMS OF REFERENCE

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Officiating Advisory Group (Group) is responsible for providing direction, recommendations and a course of action for increasing the participation and development of officiating within regions and across New Zealand.

For clarity, the Group is not responsible for implementing or decision making behind any strategies/actions. However, the Operations Manager may appoint members to carry out further implementation of their recommendations once approved if relevant.

COMPOSITION AND MEMBERSHIP

The NZL Interim Operations Manager will appoint members to the Group. All positions will be advertised to NZL Members. The Group will be made up of 5 members:

- The NZL Interim Operations Manager who will act as the Chair;
- Representation from at least one of the Officiating Officers;
- Up to three other members involved in or with an interest in the New Zealand lacrosse community with preference to that person being a representative from their region.

SKILLS, QUALITIES AND COMPETENCIES

The membership of the Group will seek to gain a balance of the following amongst its members:

- A solid understanding of the vision, mission and values of NZL;
- A connection and understanding of the officiating environment domestically and internationally;
- A passion for lacrosse and officiating;
- A recognised leader in the NZL community;
- Strong interpersonal skills;
- Ability to be independent but also collaborative;
- Ability to be objective about what is best for NZL;
- Ability to interact with other Group members both in person and in virtual meetings.

KEY AIMS

- Understand and summarise the existing officiating environment in a domestic and international context;
- Consider and propose officiating pathways that align with World Lacrosse accreditations, including expectations and opportunities available;
- Provide insights on officiating experiences within NZL over the years which will be used to inform future High Performance teams and strategies;
- Define what is owned/the responsibility of regions (with support from NZL) and what falls under the remit of NZL;
- Consider and recommend course material and learning content across the different officiating levels proposed;
- Consider and propose an officiating leadership structure suitable for NZL.

OPERATIONS/WAYS OF WORKING

The Group will:

- Meet via video conference (Google Meet);
- Develop a routine meeting cycle at the first meeting;
- Keep minutes for all meetings;
- Each have one vote in decision-making;
- Provide updates to the Operations Manager on a bi-monthly basis and final recommendations by **1 April 2023**;
- Be required to act in accordance with existing Codes of Conduct.